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Musk Tweets Tesla May Go Private at \$420 a Share but Stockholders May Not Have to Sell at That Price

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Tesla CEO Elon Musk tweeted around midday on Aug. 7 the following: "Am considering taking Tesla private at \$420. Funding Secured." A buyout price of \$420 per share would be for about \$71.6 billion based on the July 27 outstanding share count of 170.6 million in the latest 10-Q filing, though it's unclear if Musk's roughly 22% ownership stake would be part of the deal or just converted into equity of a new private company. If a deal is announced and we think its execution is more likely than not, we will raise our fair value estimate to the deal price, but for now we are leaving our fair value estimate of \$179 in place.

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We find it odd that Musk would disclose that he is considering doing a deal and specifying a price rather than not saying anything until Tesla actually announces it is going private. It is possible that he wants to hurt short sellers of Tesla now. He has been very vocal against them recently, including posting a satire video on Twitter on Aug. 5. We think it is also possible that he wants to get a price higher than \$420, else we would expect him to simply announce he is considering going private with funding secured and leave the \$420 number out of the tweet. We speculate that the funding comes mostly from tech investors, such as possibly SoftBank or Tencent (the latter bought 5% of Tesla in 2017), sovereign wealth funds, and wealthy Silicon Valley investors.

We understand why Musk would want to go private. Rolling Stone in November quoted him saying, "I wish we could be private with Tesla. It actually makes us less efficient to be a public company." Tesla is still in its early stages of growth, and we think Musk would prefer to grow the company without having to check in with Wall Street every quarter. He probably instead wants investors who are there for the long run. An Aug. 7 Musk tweet said he would create a special-purpose fund allowing any Tesla investor to remain

Vital Statistics				
Market Cap (USD Mil)				58,068
52-Week High (USD)				389.61
52-Week Low (USD)				244.59
52-Week Total Return %				-4.2
YTD Total Return %				9.8
Last Fiscal Year End			31 [Dec 2017
5-Yr Forward Revenue CAGR %				33.0
5-Yr Forward EPS CAGR %				_
Price/Fair Value				1.91
Valuation Summary and Fore	ecasts			
Fiscal Year:	2016	2017	2018(E)	2019(E)
Price/Earnings	NM	NM	NM	95.0
EV/EBITDA	115.2		136.2	24.3
EV/EBIT	NM	_	NM	NM
Free Cash Flow Yield %	-1.8		-3.2	0.0
Dividend Yield %				

Financial Summary	and Fore	casts (USD Mil)		
	Fiscal Year:	2016	2017	2018(E)	2019(E)
Revenue		7,000	11,759	21,009	28,775
Revenue YoY %		73.0	68.0	78.7	37.0
EBIT		-652	-1,632	-1,405	-150
EBIT YoY %		-9.1	150.5	-13.9	-89.3
Net Income, Adjusted		-414	-1,436	- <i>797</i>	646
Net Income YoY %		-40.1	247.0	-44.5	-181.1
Diluted EPS		-2.87	-8.66	-4.69	3.60
Diluted EPS YoY %		-46.8	201.9	-45.9	-176.7
Free Cash Flow		-916	-3,697	-2,041	-603
Free Cash Flow YoY %		-46.4	303.7	-44.8	-70.5

Historical/forecast data sources are Morningstar Estimates and may reflect adjustments.

Analyst Note: Operating income includes stock based comp expense but EPS excludes stock notion expense.

Profile

Founded in 2003 and based in Palo Alto, California, Tesla is a vertically integrated sustainable energy company that also aims to transition the world to electric mobility by making electric vehicles. It sells solar panels and solar roofs for energy generation plus batteries for stationary storage for residential and commercial properties including utilities. The Tesla Roadster debuted in 2008, Model S in 2012, Model X in 2015, and Model 3 in 2017. Global deliveries in 2017 were 103,184 units. Tesla went public in 2010 and employs about 40,000 people.

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Financial Summary and Forecasts							
Fiscal Year Ends in December						Forecast	
	3-Year						5-Year
Growth (% YoY)	Hist, CAGR	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Proj. CAGR
Revenue	48.4	12.4	73.0	68.0	78.7	37.0	33.0
EBIT	_	589.0	-9.1	150.5	-13.9	-89.3	_
EBITDA	-68.7	-329.9	-200.5	-98.7	12,301.8	461.4	334.8
Net Income	-517.0	-3,590.1	-40.1	247.0	-44.5	-181.1	
Diluted EPS	-496.3	-3,971.8	-46.8	201.9	-45.9	-176.7	
Earnings Before Interest, after Tax	_	562.6	-5.1	83.8	<i>36.1</i>	-89.3	_
Free Cash Flow		58.8	-46.4	303.7	-44.8	-70.5	
	3-Year						5-Year
Profitability	Hist. Avg	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Proj. Avg
Operating Margin %	-13.6	-17.7	-9.3	-13.9	-6.7	-0.5	-0.1
EBITDA Margin %	-1.0	-7.3	4.2	0.0	2.3	9.5	10.5
Net Margin %	-11.7	-17.1	-5.9	-12.2	-3.8	2.3	2.6
Free Cash Flow Margin %	<i>-28.9</i>	-42.2	-13.1	-31.4	- <i>9.7</i>	-2.1	-0.8
ROIC %	-11.1	-18.4	-6.1	-8.8	-6.1	-0.1	1.7
Adjusted ROIC %	-11.1	-18.4	-6.1	-8.8	-6.1	-0.1	1.7
Return on Assets %	-8.7	-13.4	-5.0	-7.6	-5.9	-1.7	-0.8
Return on Equity %	-49.2	-78.1	-25.9	-43.6	-48.3	-15.6	-6. <u>5</u>
	3-Year						5-Year
Leverage	Hist. Avg	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Proj. Avg
Debt/Capital	0.67	0.70	0.60	0.71	0.80	0.75	0.75
Total Debt/EBITDA	882.81	-9.01	24.09	2,633.36	21.65	4.59	6.60
EBITDA/Interest Expense	-0.33	-2.47	1.49	0.01	0.78	4.36	6.43

·	2016	2017	2018(E)	2019(E)
Price/Fair Value	1.21	1.53	_	_
Price/Earnings	NM	NM	NM	95.0
EV/EBITDA	115.2		136.2	24.3
EV/EBIT	NM	_	NM	NM
Free Cash Flow Yield %	-1.8		-3.2	0.0
Dividend Yield %				
Key Valuation Drivers				
Cost of Equity %				11.0
Pre-Tax Cost of Debt %				0.8
Weighted Average Cost of Ca	pital %			9.9
Long-Run Tax Rate %				20.0
Stage II EBI Growth Rate %				11.5
Stage II Investment Rate %				57.5
Perpetuity Year				11

Valuation Summary and Forecasts

Additional estimates and scenarios available for dov	wnload at http://select.morningstar.com.
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Discounted Cash Flow Valuat	tion		
	USD Mil	Firm Value (%)	Per Share Value
Present Value Stage I	4,363	13.4	25.66
Present Value Stage II	1,021	3.1	6.00
Present Value Stage III	27,120	83.4	159.53
Total Firm Value	32,504	100.0	191.20
Cash and Equivalents	3,368		19.81
Debt	-10,315	_	-60.68
Preferred Stock	-		
Other Adjustments	3,082		18.13
Equity Value	28,638		168.46
Projected Diluted Shares	170		
Fair Value per Share (USD)	179.00		

The data in the table above represent base-case forecasts in the company's reporting centericy as of the beginning of the current year. Cur fair value estimate may differ from the equity value per share shown above due to our time value of money adjustment and in cases where probability-weighted scenario analysis is performed.

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Income Statement (USD Mil)					
Fiscal Year Ends in December				Fore	ecast
Revenue	2015 4,046	2016 7,000	2017 11,759	2018 21,009	2019 28,775
Cost of Goods Sold	3,103	5,370	9,492	16,395	21,172
Gross Profit	943	1,630	2,266	4,614	7,603
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses	833	1,267	2,271	3,015	3,725
Research & Development	629	680	1,160	2,059	2,734
Employee Compensation & Benefits	198	334	467	945	1,295
Depreciation & Amortization (if reported separately)	Milliand				
Operating Income (ex charges)	-717	-652	-1,632	-1,405	-150
Restructuring & Other Cash Charges		16			
Impairment Charges (if reported separately)	MANA			unanana	
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Charges			<u> </u>		
Operating Income (incl charges)	-717	-667	-1,632	-1,405	-150
Interest Expense	119	199	471	620	626
Interest Income	2	9	20	5	5
Pre-Tax Income	-834	-858	-2,084	- <i>2,020</i>	-771
Income Tax Expense	13	27	32	-202	-77
Other After-Tax Cash Gains (Losses)	-				
Other After-Tax Non-Cash Gains (Losses)	-42	121	154	170	175
(Minority Interest)	_	_	_	_	_
(Preferred Dividends)					
Net Income	-889	-764	-1,961	-1,648	-519
Weighted Average Diluted Shares Outstanding	128	144	166	170	180
Diluted Earnings Per Share	-6.93	-5.30	-11.83	-9.69	-2.89
Adjusted Net Income	-691	-414	-1,436	-797	646
Diluted Earnings Per Share (Adjusted)	-5.39	-2.87	-8.66	-4.69	3.60
Dividends Per Common Share					
EBITDA	-294	280	4	486	2,727
Adjusted EBITDA	-294	296	4	486	2,727

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Preferred Stock —	Long-Term Non-Operating Liabilities	365	1,891	2,443	2,443	2,443
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Minority Interest — 1,152 1,395 1,535 1,688	Other Equity	44	-15	33	33	33
	Shareholder's Equity	1,131	4,762	4,237	2,589	4,070
	Minority Interest		1,152	1,395	1,535	1,688
	Total Equity	1,131	5,914		4,124	5,758



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Fiscal Year Ends in December	2045	0040	0047	Fore	cast 2019
	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Net Income	-889	-773	-2,241	-1,648	-519
Depreciation	423	947	1,636	1,891	2,877
Amortization		_		_	_
Stock-Based Compensation	198	334	467	945	1,295
Impairment of Goodwill					_
Impairment of Other Intangibles	_	_	_	_	_
Deferred Taxes					
Other Non-Cash Adjustments	237	62	574	-170	-175
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	46	-217	-25	-636	-426
(Increase) Decrease in Inventory	-1,574	-2,466	-1,701	-1,779	-1,178
Change in Other Short-Term Assets	-54	7	-88	5	5
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	263	751	388	1,877	1,243
Change in Other Short-Term Liabilities	1,394	2,000	1,440	90	896
Cash From Operations	44	646	451	576	4,019
(Capital Expenditures)	-1,635	-1,281	-3,415	-2,450	-4,000
Net (Acquisitions), Asset Sales, and Disposals	-12	214	-115	-100	-100
Net Sales (Purchases) of Investments		17			
Other Investing Cash Flows	-26	-366	-890	325	214
Cash From Investing	-1,674	-1,416	-4,419	-2 <i>,22</i> 5	-3,886
Common Stock Issuance (or Repurchase)	750	1,702	400		2,000
Common Stock (Dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
Short-Term Debt Issuance (or Retirement)				203	
Long-Term Debt Issuance (or Retirement)	319	2,853	7,138		2,000
Other Financing Cash Flows	-114	-1,580	-3,635	-806	-1,141
	955	2,974	3,904	-602	2,859
Cash From Financing	333				
Cash From Financing Exchange Rates, Discontinued Ops, etc. (net)	-34	-7	39		

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Overview

At the heart of our valuation system is a detailed projection of a company's future cash flows, resulting from our analysts' research. Analysts create custom industry and company assumptions to feed income statement, balance sheet, and capital investment assumptions into our globally standardized, proprietary discounted cash flow, or DCF, modeling templates. We use scenario analysis, in-depth competitive advantage analysis, and a variety of other analytical tools to augment this process. Moreover, we think analyzing valuation through discounted cash flows presents a better lens for viewing cyclical companies, high-growth firms, businesses with finite lives (e.g., mines), or companies expected to generate negative earnings over the next few years. That said, we don't dismiss multiples altogether but rather use them as supporting cross-checks for our DCF-based fair value estimates. We also acknowledge that DCF models offer their own challenges (including a potential proliferation of estimated inputs and the possibility that the method may miss short-term market-price movements), but we believe these negatives are mitigated by deep analysis and our long-term approach.

Morningstar's equity research group ("we", "our") believes that a company's intrinsic worth results from the future cash flows it can generate. The Morningstar Rating for stocks identifies stocks trading at a discount or premium to their intrinsic worth—or fair value estimate, in Morningstar terminology. Five-star stocks sell for the biggest risk-adjusted discount to their fair values, whereas 1-star stocks trade at premiums to their intrinsic worth.

Four key components drive the Morningstar rating: (1) our assessment of the firm's economic moat, (2) our estimate of the stock's fair value, (3) our uncertainty around that fair value estimate

and (4) the current market price. This process ultimately culminates in our single-point star rating.

1. Economic Moat

The concept of an economic moat plays a vital role not only in our qualitative assessment of a firm's long-term investment potential, but also in the actual calculation of our fair value estimates. An economic moat is a structural feature that allows a firm to sustain excess profits over a long period of time. We define economic profits as returns on invested capital (or ROIC) over and above our estimate of a firm's cost of capital, or weighted average cost of capital (or WACC). Without a moat, profits are more susceptible to competition. We have identified five sources of economic moats: intangible assets, switching costs, network effect, cost advantage, and efficient scale.

Companies with a narrow moat are those we believe are more likely than not to achieve normalized excess returns for at least the next 10 years. Wide-moat companies are those in which we have very high confidence that excess returns will remain for 10 years, with excess returns more likely than not to remain for at least 20 years. The longer a firm generates economic profits, the higher its intrinsic value. We believe low-quality, no-moat companies will see their normalized returns gravitate toward the firm's cost of capital more quickly than companies with moats.

To assess the sustainability of excess profits, analysts perform ongoing assessments of the moat trend. A firm's moat trend is positive in cases where we think its sources of competitive advantage are growing stronger; stable where we don't anticipate changes to competitive advantages over the next several years; or negative when we see signs of deterioration.

2. Estimated Fair Value

Combining our analysts' financial forecasts with the firm's economic moat helps us assess how long returns on invested capital are likely to exceed the firm's cost of

capital. Returns of firms with a wide economic moat rating are assumed to fade to the perpetuity period over a longer period of time than the returns of narrow-moat firms, and both will fade slower than no-moat firms, increasing our estimate of their intrinsic value.

Our model is divided into three distinct stages:

Stage I: Explicit Forecast

In this stage, which can last five to 10 years, analysts make full financial statement forecasts, including items such as revenue, profit margins, tax rates, changes in working-capital accounts, and capital spending. Based on these projections, we calculate earnings before interest, after taxes (EBI) and the net new investment (NNI) to derive our annual free cash flow forecast.

Stage II: Fade

The second stage of our model is the period it will take the company's return on new invested capital—the return on capital of the next dollar invested ("RONIC") to decline (or rise) to its cost of capital. During the Stage Il period, we use a formula to approximate cash flows in lieu of explicitly modeling the income statement, balance sheet, and cash flow statement as we do in Stage 1. The length of the second stage depends on the strength of the company's economic moat. We forecast this period to last anywhere from one year (for companies with no economic moat) to 10-15 years or more (for wide-moat companies). During this period, cash flows are forecast using four assumptions: an average growth rate for EBI over the period, a normalized investment rate, average return on new invested capital (RONIC), and the number of years until perpetuity, when excess returns cease. The investment rate and return on new invested capital decline until a perpetuity value is calculated. In the case of firms that do not earn their cost of capital, we assume marginal ROICs rise to the firm's cost of capital (usually attributable to less reinvestment), and we may truncate the second stage.

Stage III: Perpetuity

Once a company's marginal ROIC hits its cost of capital, we calculate a continuing value, using a standard perpetuity formula. At perpetuity, we assume that any growth or decline or investment in the business neither creates nor destroys value and that any new investment provides a return in line with estimated WACC.

Because a dollar earned today is worth more than a dollar earned tomorrow, we discount our projections of cash flows in stages I, II, and III to arrive at a total pres-

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ent value of expected future cash flows. Because we are modeling free cash flow to the firm—representing cash available to provide a return to all capital providers—we discount future cash flows using the WACC, which is a weighted average of the costs of equity, debt, and preferred stock (and any other funding sources), using expected future proportionate long-term, market-value weights.

3. Uncertainty around that fair value estimate

Morningstar's Uncertainty Rating captures a range of likely potential intrinsic values for a company and uses it to assign the margin of safety required before investing, which in turn explicitly drives our stock star rating system. The Uncertainty Rating represents the analysts' ability to bound the estimated value of the shares in a company around the Fair Value Estimate, based on the characteristics of the business underlying the stock, including operating and financial leverage, sales sensitivity to the overall economy, product concentration, pricing power, and other company-specific factors.

Analysts consider at least two scenarios in addition to their base case: a bull case and a bear case. Assumptions are chosen such that the analyst believes there is a 25% probability that the company will perform better than the bull case, and a 25% probability that the company will perform worse than the bear case. The distance between the bull and bear cases is an important indicator of the uncertainty underlying the fair value estimate.

Our recommended margin of safety widens as our uncertainty of the estimated value of the equity increases. The more uncertain we are about the estimated value of the equity, the greater the discount we require relative to our estimate of the value of the firm before we would recommend the purchase of the shares. In addition, the uncertainty rating provides guidance in portfolio construction based on risk tolerance.

Our uncertainty ratings for our qualitative analysis are low, medium, high, very high, and extreme.

►Low: margin of safety for 5-star rating is a 20% discount and for 1-star rating is 25% premium.

- ► **Medium:** margin of safety for 5-star rating is a 30% discount and for 1-star rating is 35% premium.
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- ► **Very High:** margin of safety for 5-star rating is a 50% discount and for 1-star rating is 75% premium.
- ► Extreme: Stock's uncertainty exceeds the parameters we have set for assigning the appropriate margin of safety.

4. Market Price

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Morningstar Star Rating for Stocks

Once we determine the fair value estimate of a stock, we compare it with the stock's current market price on a daily basis, and the star rating is automatically re-calculated at the market close on every day the market on which the stock is listed is open. Our analysts keep close tabs on the companies they follow, and, based on thorough and ongoing analysis, raise or lower their fair value estimates as warranted.

Please note, there is no predefined distribution of stars. That is, the percentage of stocks that earn 5 stars can fluctuate daily, so the star ratings, in the aggregate, can serve as a gauge of the broader market's valuation. When there are many 5-star stocks, the stock market as

a whole is more undervalued, in our opinion, than when very few companies garner our highest rating.

We expect that if our base-case assumptions are true the market price will converge on our fair value estimate over time, generally within three years (although it is impossible to predict the exact time frame in which market prices may adjust).

Our star ratings are guideposts to a broad audience and individuals must consider their own specific investment goals, risk tolerance, tax situation, time horizon, income needs, and complete investment portfolio, among other factors.

The Morningstar Star Ratings for stocks are defined below:

Five Stars ★★★★

We believe appreciation beyond a fair risk-adjusted return is highly likely over a multiyear time frame. Scenario analysis developed by our analysts indicates that the current market price represents an excessively pessimistic outlook, limiting downside risk and maximizing upside potential.

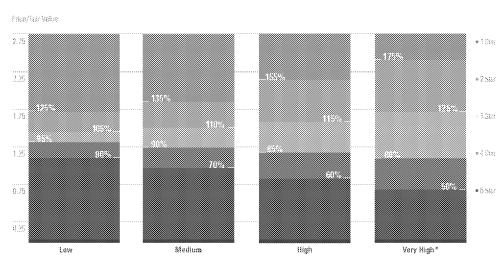
Four Stars ★★★★

We believe appreciation beyond a fair risk-adjusted return is likely.

Three Stars ★★★

Indicates our belief that investors are likely to receive a fair risk-adjusted return (approximately cost of equity).

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^{*} Decisionally a stock's paced ainty will be too high for us to actimate, in which case we label it Extreme.

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Two Stars ★★

We believe investors are likely to receive a less than fair risk-adjusted return.

One Star *

Indicates a high probability of undesirable riskadjusted returns from the current market price over a multiyear time frame, based on our analysis. Scenario analysis by our analysts indicates that the market is pricing in an excessively optimistic outlook, limiting upside potential and leaving the investor exposed to Capital loss.

Other Definitions:

Last Price: Price of the stock as of the close of the market of the last trading day before date of the report.

Stewardship Rating: Represents our assessment of management's stewardship of shareholder capital, with particular emphasis on capital allocation decisions. Analysts consider companies' investment strategy and valuation, financial leverage, dividend and share buyback policies, execution, compensation, related party transactions, and accounting practices. Corporate governance practices are only considered if they've had a demonstrated impact on shareholder value. Analysts assign one of three ratings: "Exemplary," "Standard," and "Poor." Analysts judge stewardship from an equity holder's perspective. Ratings are determined on an absolute basis. Most companies will receive a Standard rating, and this is the default rating in the absence of evidence that managers have made exceptionally strong or poor capital allocation decisions

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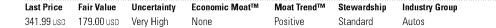
- ► **Undervalued:** Last Price is below Morningstar's quantitative fair value estimate.
- ► Farily Valued: Last Price is in line with Morningstar's quantitative fair value estimate.
- ➤ Overvalued: Last Price is above Morningstar's quantitative fair value estimate.

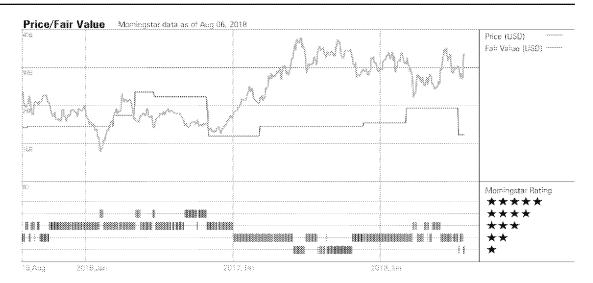
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